GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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ANTE-NATAL CHECK-UPS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the national average of ante-natal check-ups of pregnant women in the country;and

(b) if so,the details thereof,State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare periodically conduct large scale demographic surveys like National Family Health Survey to assess the impact of its various programmes and to identify need and gaps. The third National Family Health Survey (NFHS-III) was conducted in the year 2005-06 and this survey also collected information on ante natal care of mothers.At the national level, 76.4% women had at least one ante natal care visit and 52.0% women had three or more visits. There is a wide variation in the use of antenatal care services among the states.A statement showing percentage of women who received Ante Natal Care state-wise is annexed.